# PLUTARCO RENDON, M00969

Victor C. March, Sr.
President, Maryland Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors
4201 Patterson Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21215

RE: Surrender of License to Practice as a Licensed Mortician

License Number M00969

Dear Mr. March:

I agree to voluntarily surrender my license to practice as a mortician in the State of Maryland, license number M00696, to the Maryland Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors (the "Board"). I understand that I may not engage in practice of mortuary science, with or without compensation, as it is defined in the Maryland Morticians and Funeral Directors Act (the "Act"), Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. ("H.O.") § 7-101 et seq. and the Board's regulations, COMAR 10.29.01 et seq. In other words, as of the effective date of this Letter of Surrender, I understand that I am in the same position as an individual who is not licensed to practice mortuary science. I understand that this Letter of Surrender shall become a PUBLIC document and shall become effective on the date of the Board's acceptance of this Letter of Surrender. I agree that this letter may be released or published by the Board as a final decision and order under the Public Information Act, Md. Code Ann., General Provisions 4-101 et seq.

The Board received information from the Maryland Division of Vital Records indicating that in 2013 I signed at least 22 death certificates with the name of an unlicensed funeral establishment. I understand that the Board finds using an unlicensed funeral establishment on an official government document is misleading. Thus, I understand that, based upon the information before the Board, the Board has probable cause to find that I have willfully filed a false report in the practice of mortuary science and charge my license with a violation of the Act, specifically H.O. § 7-316(a)(20). Furthermore, I understand that, if this matter proceeded to an evidentiary hearing before the Board, there is sufficient evidence to find and conclude as a matter of law that I violated H.O. § 7-316(a)(20) and that, subsequently, the Board could sanction my license pursuant to H.O. § 7-316. Moreover, my license has been non-renewed since April 30, 2013. Based on the foregoing, it is my desire to surrender my license to practice as a mortician at this time.

In executing this agreement to surrender my license to practice as a mortician to the Board, I agree that I will not apply for reinstatement for a period of TWO (2) YEARS following the date of the Board's acceptance of this Letter of Surrender. I also agree that if, after a period of TWO (2) YEARS, I decide to apply for reinstatement as a mortician in Maryland, I will

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approach the Board in the same posture as an unlicensed individual whose license has been revoked. In considering my application for reinstatement, the Board may review my entire Board file, including any information the Board receives after execution of this letter. I also understand that in consider any future application for reinstatement of my license, the Board may require me to undergo medical, psychological, and/or psychiatric evaluations, and drug and alcohol testing to determine my fitness to have my license to practice as a mortician reinstated. I understand that it will be my burden, as an applicant for reinstatement, to demonstrate that I meet all of the Board's requirements for reinstatement of my license at the time I submit a reinstatement application. I understand that if the Board reinstates my license, it will be reinstated through the Board's disciplinary process and that my license will only be reinstated by the Board's issuance of a public order of reinstatement and that the Board may, in its discretion, place my reinstated license on probation subject to terms and conditions.

I wish to make it clear that I have voluntarily, knowingly, and freely chosen to submit this Letter of Surrender. I understand that, by executing this Letter of Surrender, I am waiving the right, now and in the future to any evidentiary hearing at which I would have the right to counsel, to confront witnesses, to give testimony, to call witnesses on my own behalf, to contest the facts summarized in the second paragraph of this Letter of Surrender and at which I would have the right to all other substantive and procedural protections provided by law, including the right to appeal.

I acknowledge that I may not rescind this Letter of Surrender in part or in its entirety for any reason whatsoever. I understand the nature and effect of both the Board's actions and this Letter of Surrender fully. Finally, I wish to make clear that I have had an opportunity to discuss this matter with legal counsel and I willingly, knowingly and voluntarily sign this letter of surrender.

Sincerely,

Plutarco Rendon

Date

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## **ACCEPTANCE**

ON B	BEHALF	OF	THE	MARYI	LAND	BOARD	OF	MOR	TICIANS	AND	FUNERAL
DIRE	CTORS,	on th	is _/	4TH day	of 6	CTOBE	12	_, 2015	, I accept	Plutaro	co Rendon's
public	Letter of	Surre	nder o	f his licen	se to p	ractice as	a moi	rtician i	in the State	of Mai	ryland.

10/14/15 Date

Victor C. March, President Maryland Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors

### **NOTARIZATION**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2015\_\_\_, before me, Notary Public of the State and City/County aforesaid, Plutarco Rendon personally appeared, and made oath in due form of law that signing the foregoing Letter of Surrender was the voluntary act and deed of Plutarco Rendon.

AS WITNESSETH my hand and notarial seal.

SEAL

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 5/6/2019

SHEILA LYNN KNAPP-DAVID Notary Public-Maryland Baltimore County My Commission Expires May 06, 2019